Mercedes-Benz USA, Inc.

A DaimlerChrysler Company

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Attention: VIN Coordinator

Subject: Part 565.7 (c), VIN Reporting Requirements

Pursuant to the subject regulations, enclosed please find two early introduction new model series expected to be marketed during Model Year 2001 by Mercedes-Benz USA, Inc. (MBUSA), as well as the information necessary to decipher the Vehicle Identification Number.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

Mercedes-Benz USA, Inc. - Model Year 2001 Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Deciphering Information Attributes of Vehicles (As specified in Part 565.4, Table I)

WMI	First 4 Characters of Second VIN Section	Line	Series	Body Type	Engine Type	
WDB	KK49	170 (SLK-Class)	SLK230	170 (SLK-Class)	MB 2.3 Liter, In-line 4 cyl., Gasoline, 192 Net bhp	
WDB	KK65	170 (SLK-Class)	SLK320	170 (SLK-Class)	MB 3.2 Liter, V-Type 6 cyl., Gasoline, 215 Net bhp	

Mercedes-Benz USA, Inc. - Model Year 2001 Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Deciphering Information Attributes of Vehicles (As specified in Part 565.4, Table I)

Fifth Character of Second VIN Section	Driver	Front Passenger	Outboard Rear	Center Rear
F (Line 170)	Type-2 Belt with ETR [*] , Air Bag, Knee Bolster, Side Impact Air Bag in Door	Type-2 Belt with ETR*, Air Bag, Knee Bolster, Side Impact Air Bag in Door	Type-2 Belts**	Type-2 Belt**

Plant Designation Codes for WDB: A,B,C,D,E = Sindelfingen; F,G,H = Bremen; J = Rastatt; T = Osnabrück; X = Graz

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^{**} Line 170 (SLK230 series) have only two front designated seating positions

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